

ENGLISH

We will be spending three weeks learning about arguments, during which time the children will take part in debates as well as reading and writing a range of balanced arguments.

The final three weeks will be spent exploring the classic stories found in 1001 Nights (also known as The Arabian Nights) which include Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves and Aladdin's Lamp. We will explore the themes within the collected stories and create our own inspired by them.

MATHEMATICS

During our maths lessons the children will be ensuring their grasp of written methods across the four operations is secure, and that they are able to apply these appropriately to solve multi-step word problems.

Calculating with fractions, decimals and percentages in a range of contexts will be revised and we will revisit the properties of a range of 2D shapes, using this knowledge to move shapes using reflection, rotation and translation.

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HISTORY

Our topic for this half term is early Islamic history. This focuses on Baghdad in the eighth and ninth centuries. We will uncover why Baghdad was built in its particular location and what it was like to live in the city at that time. We will also learn about architecture and clothing from the period and explore the medical and scientific learning which was taking place there.

SCIENCE

The children are studying dissolving, which will include an exploration of a range of soluble and insoluble materials. We will investigate how they are affected by different solvents, the rate at which materials dissolve in different conditions and how evaporation can remove them from a solution.

RE

During our RE sessions this half term we will be thinking about which qualities are important in present-day religious leaders. We will consider the role of leaders from a number of religions as well as considering why it is important for leaders (religious and secular) to live up to their own expectations.

COMPUTING

During these lessons, children will be creating complex pictures and patterns through generating and sequencing instructions. This will require the children to become familiar with the control software 'Imagine'.

ART AND DESIGN

After viewing a range of Islamic art at the Victoria and Albert Museum, the children will create their own plant-based sketches to be turned into repeated tile patterns. They will also explore calligraphy and use printing techniques to create their final piece.

PE

During our indoor PE sessions the children will learn dance sequences before adapting them and adding their own choreographed movements. Our outdoor PE sessions will focus on tennis, helping children to use a racket with increasing competence and carrying out rallies and short matches.

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